

Singular Value Decomposition - Worksheet

Give an explanation for True/False

1. (*True/False.*) The matrix \mathbf{D} in the singular value decomposition is diagonal and contains the same eigenvalues that are output in PCA.
2. (*True/False.*) Principal Component Analysis involves the SVD of a data matrix which has been centered or standardized.
3. (*True/False.*) The matrices \mathbf{U} and \mathbf{V}^T in the singular value decomposition are orthogonal, and that means their inverse is equal to their transpose.
4. (*True/False.*) When we omit principal components with small eigenvalues, the information we lose has a larger signal-to-noise ratio than the information we keep.

BONUS: (*True/False.*) The default factors displayed in SAS's proc factor results window are the rows of the matrix product $\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^T$ where $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^T$ is the SVD of your standardized data matrix \mathbf{X} .

List of Key Words/Phrases.

singular value decomposition

signal-to-noise ratio

PCA and SVD relationship